

TOWNSHIP OF MANSFIELD, WARREN COUNTY

Green Team Minutes

September 18, 2014

The Green Team meeting was held this date at the Mansfield Township Municipal Building, 100 Port Murray Road, Port Murray, N.J. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

Present : Robert Jewell, Connie Andershonis, Dawn Smith and JoAnn Fascenelli

Absent : Jennifer Keggan and Michael Misertino

Rain Barrel Workshop: Is scheduled for September 21, 2014 commencing at 1 pm to be held at the Pequest Trout Hatchery. A total of 33 barrels were picked up from Coke A Cola. There is enough hardware to complete 28 barrels. A local farmer has requested the remaining 5 barrels for her greenhouses. Mrs. Andershonis will hand in her receipts for reimbursement (U-Haul rental, gasoline, tolls, etc.).

Backyard Composting Workshop: The Green Team will investigate this further.

Land Use Pledge Resolution: Mrs. Fascenelli advised the resolution will go before the Township Committee at their September 24, 2014 meeting.

Prescription Drug Safety & Disposal: This event is scheduled for September 27, 2014 at the Mansfield Township Police Department. Flyers will be distributed to local pharmacies and be available during the Township's Senior Citizens meeting.

Reusable Bag Education Program: A total of 40 bags were compiled for back to school night and 28 for the next rain barrel workshop event.

Feral Cats: Mrs. Fascenelli reminded the members about the large population of feral cats in the apartment complexes. The Green Team will investigate possible grants.

Community Garden: The Green Team will investigate this action further.

Electronic Collection Event: Mrs. Fascenelli advised this event is scheduled for Saturday, September 27, 2014 at the Department of Public Works Garage (1710 Route 57). Large rigid plastics will also be accepted at the same time.

Park Beautification: Mrs. Andershonis will email Mr. Tim Terry regarding the possible donation of trees for the park.

Support Local Businesses: Ms. Keggan will work on updating this listing.

Carbon Footprint: Ms. Keggan will continue to input information for this action item.

Finance Report: Mrs. Fascenelli stated the Sustainable Grant has a balance of \$ 962.76 and the trust fund has a balance of \$ 160.86.

Webinar (7/23/14): Mrs. Fascenelli took part in the 7/23/14 webinar. A question was raised regarding the reuse action item – “Would a town wide garage sale qualify?” No answer was available at that time. Mrs. Fascenelli will follow up with the webinar host to see if a decision has been made.

Recycling Ordinance: Mrs. Andershonis asked Mrs. Fascenelli to look into this action item.

SCHEDULED EVENTS:

September 27, 2014 – Electronic Waste and Metal Recycling Event – Township Garage 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

September 27, 2014 – Large Rigid Plastics collection – Township Garage 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

September 27, 2014 - Prescription Drug Collection Event – Police Department 100 Port Murray Road

October 4, 2014 – Mansfield Township Free Paper Shredding Event – Department of Public Works Garage – 1720 Route 57 – 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Next Green Team Meeting is scheduled for October 9, 2014 at 7:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building.

Respectfully Submitted

JoAnn Fascenelli